GRANTEE: Stanly Community College

ADDRESS: 141 College Drive

Albemarle, North Carolina 28001

AMOUNT: \$2,919,975

DURATION: 24 months

POPULATION SERVED: The project will train more than 1,500 participants in California, Maryland, Los Angeles and San Diego, California; Washington, D.C.; Albemarle, North Carolina; New York, New York; Cleveland, Ohio; Houston, Texas; Virginia Beach, Virginia; Seattle, Washington and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Originally targeting unemployed and underemployed members of the Communication Workers of America membership, training has been extended to minorities in the community and transitioning military and their spouses.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The project is a focused technical skills distance learning and hands-on retraining program designed to provide technology training and certifications and to address the concerns of the technology and communications sector. It will introduce the necessary training and certification for a training ladder aligned to a skills ladder for advanced technology positions. The project will further lead to advanced skill sets that will increase job placement and retention, increased salary and prepare American workers to fill the critical workforce shortages in the technology and communications sector.

KEY PARTICIPANTS: Cisco Systems, Inc., Communication Workers of America, Sun Microsystems, Panduit Corp., Tucker Technology, CC-N, the Cisco Learning Institute and the Council for Adult and Experimental Learning.

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